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For: METHOD OF TREATING

AUTOIMMUNE DISEASES WITH INTERFERON-BETA AND IL-2R

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RESPONSE AFTER FINAL ACTION

This responds to the Final Office action dated March 19, 2007, for which a three month period for reply was set, making this response due on or before June 19, 2007. Applicants petition for a three month extension of time, and submit the required fee herewith, making this response due on or before September 19, 2007. A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and the required fee accompanies this response. Please amend the referenced application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3.

Remarks begin on page 7.

Conclusion is on page 11.